2012 Mock Newbery Discussion #3

Participating in the Mock Newbery is an opportunity to read the newest children's books and to discuss them with other passionate readers. New books will be discussed at each meeting. Please join us!

Mock Newbery Discussion #3 Wednesday, December 7, 2011 7:00 – 9:00 PM Hampden Meadows School, Barrington (Directions below)

Please register for this program: http://www.olis.ri.gov/services/ce/regis.php

The Newbery Medal is awarded annually to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children published in the United States during the preceding year. The Award is restricted to authors who are citizens or residents of the United States.

Criteria: 1) In identifying "Distinguished Writing" in a book for children,

- a. Committee members need to consider the following:
 - o Interpretation of the theme or concept
 - o Presentation of information including accuracy, clarity, and organization
 - o Development of a plot
 - o Delineation of characters
 - o Delineation of setting
 - Appropriateness of style

Note: Because the literary qualities to be considered will vary depending on content, the committee need not expect to find excellence in each of the named elements. The book should, however, have distinguished qualities in all of the elements pertinent to it.

b. Committee members must consider excellence of presentation for a child audience.

Voting for a Rhode Island winner and honor books will take place on January 18, 2012 using the balloting procedures of the real committee.

2012 Mock Newbery Reading List #3 (to be discussed on 12/7/11)

- 1. Avi. City of Orphans.
- 2. Frost, Helen. Hidden.
- 3. Magoon, Kekla. Camo Girl.
- 4. Ness, Patrick. A Monster Calls.
- 5. Oliver, Lauren. Liesl & Po.
- 6. Pinkney, Andrea Davis. Bird in a Box.
- 7. Selznick, Brian. Wonderstruck.
- 8. Sepetys, Ruta. Between Shades of Gray.
- 9. Snyder, Laurel. Bigger than a Breadbox.
- 10. Urban, Linda. Hound Dog True.
- 11. Ursu, Anne. Breadcrumbs.
- 12. Valente, Catherynne. The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making.
- 13. Weeks, Sarah. Pie.

2012 Mock Newbery Reading List for January Voting Meeting (discussed 9/28 and 11/2)

- 1. Barnhill, Kelly Regan. The Mostly True Story of Jack.
- 2. Fleming, Candace. Amelia Lost.
 - 3. Gantos, Jack. Dead End in Norvelt.
- 4. Holm, Jennifer L. The Trouble with May Amelia.
 - 5. Jenkins, Emily. Toys Come Home.
- 6. Lai, Thanhha. Inside Out and Back Again.
 - 7. MacLachlan, Patricia. Waiting for the Magic.
- 8. Schmidt, Gary. Okay for Now.
- 9. Stone, Phoebe. The Romeo and Juliet Code.

Dropped on 9/28/11

- 1. Bauer, Joan. Close to Famous.
- 2. Billingsly, Franny. Chime.
- 3. Birdsall, Jeanne. The Penderwicks at Point Mouette.
- 4. Rocklin, Joanne. One Day and One Amazing Morning on Orange Street.
- 5. Shang, Wan-Long, Wendy. The Great Wall of Lucy Wu.
- 6. White, Ruth. You'll Like it Here (Everybody Does).

Dropped on 11/2/11

- 1. Aronson, Marc. Trapped.
- 2. Erskine, Kathryn. The Absolute Value of Mike.
- 3. Krishnaswami, Uma. The Grand Plan to Fix Everything.
- 4. LaRochelle, David. The Haunted Hamburger and Other Ghostly Stories.
- 5. Morris, Gerald. The Adventures of Sir Gawain the True.
- 6. O'Connor, Sheila. Sparrow Road.
- 7. Patron, Susan. Lucky for Good.
- 8. Perl, Erica. When Life Gives You O.J.
- 9. Van Allsburg, Chris. Queen of the Falls.

Please feel free to send suggested titles to: cheryl.space@olis.ri.gov

Continuing sessions:

Mock Newbery Discussion #4 (voting meeting) Wednesday, January 18, 2012 Oak Lawn Branch Library, Cranston 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Directions to Hampden Meadows School, 297 New Meadow Road, Barrington, RI 02806:

From 95 heading North or South, Get on 195 East.

Take Exit 7 (114 South towards Barrington.)

Continue on 114 South (changes name and then merges with 103 South.)

Turn Left at Massasoit Avenue.

Turn Left at New Meadow Road. The school will be on your right.